

REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

ORIGINATOR: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING: February 14, 2013

Comm Dev REGULAR BOARD MEETING: February 19, 2013

TITLE/DESCRIPTION: COMPREHENSIVE PLAN ADOPTION REQUEST: Board to consider an ordinance adopting the Planning and Zoning Commission's recommendation to approve the draft Comprehensive Plan.

BACKGROUND OF SUBJECT MATTER:

On January 9, 2013, the Plan Commission held a public hearing to review the draft Comprehensive Plan, prepared by Houseal Lavigne Associates. Prior to the public hearing, a two hour Open House was held in the Village Board room to provide the public an informal opportunity to review the document, look at poster boards, see maps, answer questions, and provide input to staff and the consultant.

A Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee was organized in 2011, and met six times prior to the public hearing to review drafts and provide input. In addition to the Advisory Committee, community workshops and individual interviews were held within the community, and an online survey was provided through the Village website. All of these methods were intended to gain community feedback regarding residents' and business owners' concerns and issues, and what they felt could be improved or built upon with future projects.

Houseal Lavigne presented the Comprehensive Plan chapter by chapter, and provided time following each chapter for the public and the Planning and Zoning Commission to ask questions and offer feedback. Following the presentation, the Planning and Zoning Commission made a unanimous favorable recommendation. The Economic Development Committee met on January 6, 2013, and the members were provided with an overview of the Comprehensive Plan document by staff, and were given copies of the vision statement and subarea maps for additional background.

The Plan can be found online here:

<http://www.hlplanning.com/dnn/Default.aspx?alias=www.hlplanning.com/dnn/westmont>

or staff can provide paper copies to any of the Board members who would prefer a hardcopy. Following adoption of the Comprehensive Plan, each of the Village Board members will be provided with a bound copy of the Comprehensive Plan, which will incorporate any necessary revisions.

DOCUMENTS ATTACHED:

- Staff report from January 9, 2013 Planning and Zoning Commission meeting.
- Draft Minutes from January 9, 2013 Planning and Zoning Commission meeting (*not yet available*).

RECOMMENDATION:

- The Planning and Zoning Commission *recommended approval* of the Comprehensive Plan.

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